values of all outstanding inflation-indexed interest components will be converted to adjusted values based on the new base reference period. At such time, Treasury will publish information specifying the manner in which this conversion will be accomplished. Subsequent to rebasing, any TINTS created from a security that was issued during a prior base reference period will be issued with adjusted values calculated using reference CPIs under the most-recent base reference period.

(d) Reconstituting a security. Stripped interest and principal components may be reconstituted, i.e., restored to their fully-constituted form. A principal component and all related unmatured interest components, in the appropriate minimum or multiple amounts or adjusted values, must be submitted together for reconstitution. Interest components stripped from inflation-indexed securities are different from interest components stripped from fixed-principal securities and, accordingly, are not interchangeable for reconstitution purposes.

(e) Applicable regulations. Unless otherwise provided in this part, notes and bonds stripped into their STRIPS components are governed by subparts A, B, and D of part 357 of this chapter.

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### § 356.32 Taxation.

(a) General. Securities issued under this part are subject to all applicable taxes imposed under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or successor. Under section 3124 of title 31, United States Code, the securities are exempt from taxation by a State or political subdivision of a State, except for State estate or inheritance taxes and other exceptions as provided in that section.

(b) Treasury inflation-indexed securities. Special federal income tax rules for inflation-indexed securities, and principal and interest components stripped from such securities, are set forth in Internal Revenue Service regulations.

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### §356.33 Reservation of rights.

The Secretary reserves the right to accept or reject or refuse to recognize

any or all bids or tenders submitted under this part. The Secretary also reserves the right to award more or less securities than the amount of securities specified in the offering announcement. The Secretary further reserves the right to waive any provision or provisions of this part for any or all bidders or submitters. Decisions of the Secretary under this section shall be final.

#### § 356.34 Remedies.

(a) General. When a person or an entity fails to comply with the requirements of this part, the Secretary will consider the circumstances of such failure and determine an appropriate remedy. Such remedy may include prohibiting the person or entity from participating in future auctions for its own account, for the account of others, or both. The Secretary may refer such occurrences to the appropriate regulatory agency for enforcement action.

(b) Liquidated damages. A bidder agrees to pay liquidated damages of 1% of the par amount of securities awarded the bidder in an auction if the bidder fails to pay for the awarded securities in a timely manner. The Secretary may waive, in whole or in part, the payment of liquidated damages. This liquidated damages provision shall not preclude the use of any other available remedy.

# § 356.35 Reservations as to terms of offerings.

The Secretary reserves the right to supplement or amend provisions of this part. The Secretary further reserves the right to modify the terms and conditions of new securities and to depart from the customary pattern of securities offerings at any time. Public notice of any such changes will be provided.

## § 356.36 Paperwork Reduction Act approval.

The collections of information contained in §§ 356.11, 356.12, 356.13, 356.14, and 356.15 and in appendix A of this part have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1535–0112.

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